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For: Stabilized Window Structures and Methods for  
Stabilizing and Removing Shattered Window Panes

RESPONSE

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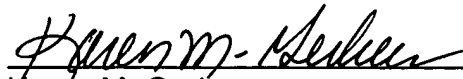
This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action dated November 5, 2002.

Claims 1-58 are pending in the subject patent application and stand subject to an election requirement. In particular, the Examiner is requiring election between the species corresponding to Figs. 9-11 and the species corresponding to Figs. 12 and 13.

In response to the election requirement, applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the species corresponding to Figs. 12 and 13 for prosecution on the merits. Claims 1, 3, 5-22, 28-32, 35-39 and 51-58 are readable on the elected species. It is submitted, however, that Figs. 1-8 should be included in the elected species and that claims 1-24, 28-39 and 51-58 should be examined and prosecuted on their merits since the window structures and methods claimed are not limited to buildings or vehicles, with the exception of dependent claims 4 and 5.

In light of the foregoing, the subject patent application is submitted to be in condition for examination on the merits. Early, favorable action on the merits of the subject application is respectfully solicited. Should any issues in the subject application remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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